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Ms. Marlene H. Dortch Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th St., S.W., Room TWB-204 Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: Notice of Ex Parte Presentation in CG Docket No. 02-278

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On April 9, 2003, Jerry Cerasale of The Direct Marketing Association ("DMA") and Ian D. Volner and Heather L. McDowell of Venable, discussed the Commission's rules implementing the Telephone Consumer Protection Act of 1991 ("TCPA") with Jessica Rosenworcel of the Federal Communications Commission.

During the meeting, we discussed the DMA's position, as stated in its comments and reply comments filed in this proceeding, on the creation of a national do-not-call list and its interaction with both the Federal Trade Commission's list and state do-not-call lists. We also discussed DMA's comments and reply comments on the conflicts between the FTC's rules regarding "predictive dialers" and the TCPA's ban on recorded messages. Finally, we discussed the regulation of caller-ID as outlined in our pleadings in this docket.

In accordance with the Commission's rules, a copy of this letter is being filed electronically for inclusion in the public record of the above-referenced proceeding.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/

Kerri Congdon

cc: Jessica Rosenworcel Jerry Cerasale